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- Bollinger Shipyards will pay the U.S. \$8.5 million December 9 to settle claims that the company falsely misrepresented the longitudinal strength of patrol boats it delivered to the U.S. Coast Guard. – *U.S. Department of Justice* (See item [4](#))
- Heavy storms across Seattle and Oregon December 8 closed multiple roadways, prompted school closures, killed 2 people, and left approximately 63,000 customers without power. – *Reuters* (See item [6](#))
- Officials approved the production of Kanuma, a drug used to treat patients with lysosomal acid lipase (LAL) deficiency December 8, through genetically engineered chickens. – *U.S. Food and Drug Administration* (See item [20](#))
- Wyndham Worldwide Corp. agreed to settle charges December 9 alleging that it failed to properly safeguard information on 619,000 customers following 3 data breaches that resulted in more than \$10.6 million in fraudulent charges. – *Reuters* (See item [31](#))

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Energy Sector

1. ***December 9, KNSD 39 San Diego*** – (California) **Cal/OSHA fines company \$58K for explosion that injured employees.** The California Division of Occupational Safety and Health cited Quantum Energy Storage Corporation with 16 health and safety violations December 9 including failure to minimizing hazards where employees worked, following a June 10 incident at the company's Poway warehouse where an 11,000-pound flywheel caused an explosion that left 4 employees injured. Proposed fines total \$58,025.

Source: <http://www.nbcbsandiego.com/news/local/CalOSHA-Cites-Company-58K-for-Explosion-That-Injured-Employees-361368671.html>

2. ***December 8, U.S. Department of Labor*** – (Florida) **OSHA reaches settlement with Blue Rhino in 2013 propane explosion that severely injured 6 workers at Taveras, Florida, tank facility.** The Occupational Safety and Health Administration reached a settlement with Ferrellgas LP doing business as Blue Rhino Corporation December 7 resolving 9 serious and 6 other-than-serious citations following a July 2013 incident where propane vapor was ignited from a forklift that was not explosion proof, leaving 10 workers injured. Proposed penalties \$52,000.

Source:

https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&p_id=29208

For additional stories, see items [6](#) and [23](#)

Chemical Industry Sector

Nothing to report

Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

Nothing to report

Critical Manufacturing Sector

3. ***December 9, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission*** – (National) **Basler Electric recalls transformers due to fire, shock hazards.** Basler Electric Company issued a nationwide recall December 9 for approximately 11,900 Basler Class 2 electric transformers due to fire and electrical shock hazards prompted by a potential circuit breaker trip failure. The products were sold from September 2014 to November 2014 to various manufacturers and distributors.

Source: <http://www.cpsc.gov/en/Recalls/Recall-Alerts/2016/Basler-Electric-Recalls-Transformers/>

Defense Industrial Base Sector

4. ***December 9, U.S. Department of Justice*** – (National) **Bollinger Shipyards agrees to**

settle False Claims Act suit. The U.S. Department of Justice announced December 9 that Louisiana-based Bollinger Shipyards will pay the U.S. \$8.5 million and release contract claims to settle False Claims Act violations after an investigation found that the company falsely misrepresented the longitudinal strength of patrol boats it delivered to the U.S. Coast Guard that resulted in the boats buckling and failing.

Source: <http://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/bollinger-shipyards-agrees-settle-false-claims-act-suit>

Financial Services Sector

5. ***December 9, KUTV 2 Salt Lake City*** – (Utah) **Police looking for ‘bucket list bandit’ involved in Salt Lake Valley robberies.** Unified Police are searching for a suspect December 9 believed to be connected to a string of robberies in the Salt Lake County area which include two hotels in addition to a Wells Fargo bank branch, a US Bank branch, and an Americas First Credit Union branch. Authorities believe the suspect is armed.

Source: <http://kutv.com/news/local/police-looking-for-bucket-list-bandit-who-has-robbed-banks-around-the-salt-lake-valley>

Transportation Systems Sector

6. ***December 10, Reuters*** – (Oregon; Washington) **Two dead, thousands without power after US Pacific Northwest storms.** Heavy storms across Seattle and Oregon triggered mudslides and flooding December 8 which closed multiple roadways and interstate highways until at least December 10, prompted school closures for 3 consecutive days, killed 2 people, and left approximately 26,000 customers in Portland and 37,000 customers in Seattle without power.
Source: <http://www.cnbc.com/2015/12/10/two-dead-thousands-without-power-after-us-pacific-northwest-storms.html>
7. ***December 10, WBRC 6 Birmingham*** – (Alabama) **2 northbound lanes open on I-20/59 near Arkadelphia Road after hazmat situation.** Northbound lanes of Interstate 20/59 in Birmingham were shut down for several hours overnight December 9 – December 10 while HAZMAT crews cleared a chemical spill from an overturned semi-truck that caught fire and forced the evacuation of East Thomas and College Hills communities.
Source: <http://www.kltv.com/story/30710363/northbound-lanes-still-closed-after-hazmat-situation-on-i-2059-near-arkadelphia-road-exit>
8. ***December 10, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency*** – (California) **U.S. EPA md customs joint operations at California Ports results in illegal vehicles and engines seized or turned back at border.** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and U.S. Customs and Border Protection charged 8 companies a total of \$94,700 in fines December 9 after the companies allegedly violated the Federal Clean Air Act or Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act by importing foreign-made vehicles and equipment without proper emission controls, and by importing illegal pesticides at the ports of Los Angeles, Long Beach, and Oakland. More than 1,394

items were seized, exported, or destroyed as part of the agency's attempts to uphold the Clean Air Act.

Source:

<http://yosemite.epa.gov/opa/admpress.nsf/0/D4601695D9F1AE7A85257F160063DE13>

9. ***December 10, WINK 11 Fort Myers*** – (Florida) **Pregnant woman dies after auto-pedestrian crash.** Southbound lanes of U.S. 41 in Fort Myers were shut down for several hours December 8 after a pedestrian was killed after being hit while crossing the road.

Source: <http://www.winknews.com/2015/12/10/pregnant-woman-dies-after-auto-pedestrian-crash/>

For additional stories, see items [4](#) and [30](#)

Food and Agriculture Sector

10. ***December 9, U.S. Food and Drug Administration*** – (National) **The Morrison Milling Company voluntary and precautionary recall of corn products.** The U.S. Food and Drug Administration announced December 9 that Texas-based Morrison Milling Company issued a voluntary recall for several types of its corn products after the company's quality department discovered that the products may contain pieces of flexible metal mesh due to a faulty screen at its Denton production facility. Products were distributed to retail stores in several Southwestern States.
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm476512.htm>
11. ***December 9, U.S. Food and Drug Administration*** – (National) **Lucy's Weight Loss System issues voluntary nationwide recall of Pink Bikini dietary supplement due to undeclared diclofenac.** The U.S. Food and Drug Administration announced December 9 that Texas-based Lucy's Weight Loss System issued a voluntary, nationwide recall for all lots of its Pink Bikini White powder Capsules, 30 white after testing discovered the presence of diclofenac, a nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drug. Products were distributed through Internet sales via the company's Web site and at one retail location.
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm476494.htm>
12. ***December 9, Seattle Times*** – (Washington) **Food vendors open again after Russell Tower outbreak.** Officials announced that food vendors at the Russell Investments Center in Seattle were allowed to reopen December 9 after the building was cleaned following a norovirus outbreak that sickened over 200 people who attended a catered party at the building December 1. Health officials are still investigating the cause of the outbreak.
Source: <http://www.seattletimes.com/seattle-news/health/food-vendors-open-again-after-russell-tower-outbreak/>
13. ***December 9, USA Today*** – (Massachusetts) **Norovirus strikes 120 Boston College students who ate at Chipotle.** Officials reported December 9 that at least 120 Boston College students and others from the surrounding community were sickened by

norovirus after eating at a Boston area Chipotle Mexican Grill, Inc. restaurant that remained closed for extensive cleaning and a full sanitization. The Massachusetts school issued a health alert and stated that it would close self-serve cafeteria sections and thoroughly clean common areas.

Source: <http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/2015/12/09/norovirus-boston-college-outbreak/77046408/>

Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

14. *December 9, Sioux City Journal* – (Nebraska) **Corps awards \$1.75M bid for habitat repairs at Ponca State Park.** The Western Contracting Corporation of Sioux City received a \$1.75 million contract from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers December 9 to complete repairs on a backwater site along the Mississippi river at Ponca State Park located in Omaha, Nebraska, which is expected to finish by the end of 2016.
Source: http://siouxcityjournal.com/news/local/corps-awards-m-bid-for-habitat-repairs-at-ponca-state/article_e8aa2a5c-193a-5e4d-b16e-a08fd69fd005.html
15. *December 9, KRCR 7 Redding/Chico; Associated Press* – (California) **Water contamination examined after toxic discovery.** Officials closed Livermore's Lake Del Valle December 9 after preliminary testing revealed that the water's toxicity levels exceeded the threshold set by park authorities following a park employee's discovery of blue-green algae December 7.
Source: <http://www.krcrtv.com/news/local/water-contamination-examined-after-toxic-discovery/36890142>

For another story, see item [23](#)

Healthcare and Public Health Sector

16. *December 9, Minneapolis Star Tribune* – (Minnesota) **State is fined \$63K for safety violations at security hospital in St. Peter.** The Minnesota Occupational Safety and Health Administration issued a \$63,000 fine to the Minnesota Department of Human Services December 9 for failing to protect workers at the St. Peter psychiatric hospital from violent assaults by patients following 9 incidents that occurred between May and July. The hospital has implemented additional security measures including the installation of new security cameras and intensified staff training, among other measures.
Source: <http://www.startribune.com/state-mental-hospital-fined-63-000-for-workplace-safety-violations/361297781/>
17. *December 9, WITI 6 Milwaukee* – (Wisconsin) **No injuries after chemical spill forces evacuation at Bradshaw Medical in Kenosha.** Employees at Bradshaw Medical in Kenosha were evacuated for approximately 3 hours December 9 after roughly 20 gallons of nitric acid spilled from a 55-gallon drum and created a vapor cloud. The chemical reacted violently when it was poured into a barrel that was thought to be clean.
Source: <http://fox6now.com/2015/12/09/developing-hazmat-team-called-out-to->

[bradshaw-medical-in-kenosha/](#)

18. *December 9, WTAE 4 Pittsburgh* – (Pennsylvania) **Family counselor charged with billing insurance \$600,000 for fake office visits.** A Pennsylvania family counselor was charged December 9 for allegedly billing BlueCross/Blue Shield \$601,000 for counseling sessions that never occurred. The counselor conducted fewer than 2,000 sessions and billed the insurance company for more than 9,700 office visits from 2011 – 2015.
Source: <http://www.wtae.com/news/family-counselor-charged-with-billing-insurance-600000-for-fake-office-visits/36876696>
19. *December 8, Maine Public Broadcasting News* – (Maine) **Information for some patients exposed in MaineGeneral hack.** MaineGeneral Health announced December 8 that some patient and employee data was available on an external Web site with the proper login credentials following a breach of its computer network. The hospital continues to investigate the cyberattack, which is connected to an another ongoing investigation.
Source: <http://news.mpbn.net/post/information-some-patients-exposed-maine-general-hack>
20. *December 8, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **FDA approves first drug to treat rare enzyme disorder in pediatric and adults patients.** The U.S. Food and Drug Administration approved the production of Kanuma (sebelipase alfa) a drug used to treat patients with the disease lysosomal acid lipase (LAL) deficiency December 8. The drug gained approval to be constructed in chickens that are genetically engineered to produce a recombinant form of human lysosomal acid lipase (rhLAL) protein in their egg whites.
Source:
<http://www.fda.gov/NewsEvents/Newsroom/PressAnnouncements/ucm476013.htm>

For additional stories, see items [12](#) and [13](#)

Government Facilities Sector

21. *December 9, WPTZ 5 Plattsburgh* – (Vermont) **Charlotte school students dismissed after boiler leak.** Students were evacuated from Charlotte Central School in Vermont and classes were dismissed December 9 after maintenance staff discovered that a leak in the school's boiler spilled about 50 – 100 gallons of glycol and circulated throughout the building. Classes were scheduled to resume December 10 following cleanup.
Source: <http://www.wptz.com/news/charlotte-school-evacuated-after-hazmat-situation/36876434>
22. *December 9, WJTV 12 Jackson* – (Mississippi) **Students charged in bomb threat at Warren Central Jr. High.** Authorities arrested two Warren Central Jr. High School students December 9 after the Vicksburg school was evacuated following the discovery of a device in a backpack. A bomb squad safely detonated the device and investigators charged the students.

Source: <http://whlt.com/2015/12/09/students-charged-in-bomb-threat-at-warren-central-jr-high/>

23. *December 8, KGBT 4 Harlingen* – (Texas) **Roughly 2,000 gallons of oil spills into Brownsville drainage ditch.** About 2,000 gallons of spilled oil reached a drainage ditch following a spill of an estimated 2,900 gallons of oil from a tank at the City of Brownsville Public Works Department yard December 8. Workers contained the spill and crews worked to clean up the oil.

Source: <http://valleycentral.com/news/local/brownsville-public-works-oil-spill-december-2015-canal-ditch-oily-substance-leak>

For additional stories, see items [4](#) and [6](#)

Emergency Services Sector

Nothing to report

Information Technology Sector

24. *December 10, SecurityWeek* – (International) **Many Cisco products plagued by deserializations flaws.** Cisco Systems reported that it is investigating which of its products are affected by the Java deserialization vulnerability that can be exploited for remote code execution (RCE) via the Apache Commons Collections library due to the failure of developers to ensure that untrusted serialized data is not accepted for deserialization. Cisco will release software updates addressing the flaw.

Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/many-cisco-products-plagued-deserialization-flaws>

25. *December 10, SecurityWeek* – (International) **Google launches Data Loss Prevention (DLP) for Gmail.** Google announced its new feature, Data Loss Prevention (DLP) for Gmail will help administrators enforce DLP policies and will automatically take action based on predefined content detectors in email text and attachment types, including documents, presentations, and spreadsheets to ensure that sensitive information cannot be exposed to unauthorized viewers. The feature is available for Google Apps for Work Unlimited customers only.

Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/google-launches-data-loss-prevention-dlp-gmail>

26. *December 10, Softpedia* – (International) **Barbeques are now hackable thanks to ever-evolving technology.** Two American security researchers discovered that smart Internet of Things (IoT) devices can be easily abused after discovering ways to infiltrate the BBQ Guru-owned CyberQ Wifi BBQ Control, which comes manufactured with Internet capabilities, via a malicious Uniform Resource Locator (URL) code crafted by attackers intended to deceive a CyberQ owner into opening the link via a simple spear phishing campaign. Once the malicious link is opened, hackers can access the user's privileges and command the barbecue to alter its behavior.

Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/barbeques-are-now-hackable-thanks-to-ever-evolving-technology-497418.shtml>

27. *December 9, SecurityWeek* – (International) **Google brings safe browsing to Chrome for Android.** Google released its Safe Browsing technology in Google Play Services version 8.1, and Chrome for Android version 46 and above versions that will warn users when accessing a flagged Web site, including social engineering, phishing, and other malicious Web sites.

Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/google-brings-safe-browsing-chrome-android>

28. *December 9, Zero Day* – (International) **Microsoft warns of possible attacks after Xbox certificate leaked.** Microsoft released an advisory stating that the private keys to the xboxlive.com domain were inadvertently disclosed, allowing attackers to impersonate Xbox users and carry out man-in-the-middle (MitM) attacks, as well as intercept the Web site's secure connection to deceive users in providing their username and passwords to hackers.

Source: <http://www.zdnet.com/article/microsoft-warns-attacks-possible-after-xbox-certificate-leaked/>

Internet Alert Dashboard

To report cyber infrastructure incidents or to request information, please contact US-CERT at soc@us-cert.gov or visit their Web site: <http://www.us-cert.gov>

Information on IT information sharing and analysis can be found at the IT ISAC (Information Sharing and Analysis Center) Web site: <http://www.it-isac.org>

Communications Sector

Nothing to report

Commercial Facilities Sector

29. *December 9, U.S. Department of Labor* – (Ohio) **Electronics recycler over-exposes workers to lead, fined more than \$56K.** The Occupational Safety and Health Administration cited Ohio-based Echo Environmental Waverly LLC December 8 for six serious and three other-than-serious health violations after a June inspection of its Waverly facility found that the company failed to protect employees from dangerous lead contamination associated with electronics recycling, among other violations. Proposed fines total \$56,850.

Source:

https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&p_id=29226

30. *December 10, WABC 7 New York City* – (New York) **Residents return to 4 buildings evacuated in Borough Park due to gas leak.** A gas leak in Borough Park, Brooklyn, prompted the evacuation of four residential buildings for several hours and closed surrounding streets December 9 – December 10 while crews fixed the leak following the discovery of a large hole in a high pressure gas main.

Source: <http://abc7ny.com/news/four-buildings-evacuated-in-borough-park-due-to-gas-leak/1116779/>

31. *December 9, Reuters* – (New Jersey) **Wyndham settles FTC data breach charges.** Wyndham Worldwide Corp. agreed to settle charges December 9 filed by the U.S. Federal Trade Commission to resolve allegations that the company failed to properly safeguard information on 619,000 customers following 3 data breaches in which attackers hacked into the company's computer system and stole customers' payment card and personal information, resulting in more than \$10.6 million in fraudulent charges. As part of the settlement, Wyndham is required to comply with a widely used industry standard to protect the safety of payment card information.
Source: <http://www.reuters.com/article/us-wyndham-ftc-cybersecurity-idUSKBN0TS24220151209#RHSWcQQVCPUhqTt0.97>

For additional stories, see items [5](#) and [12](#)

Dams Sector

32. *December 9, Associated Press; Press of Atlantic City* – (New Jersey) **Stone Harbor dredging on hold after 20,000-gallon spill.** A dredging project in Stone Harbor, New Jersey, was shut down December 8 after 20,000 gallons of treated water and dredge spoils spilled onto a residential street December 4. Officials reported that the project will resume after contractors and officials find a solution to contain the water from going off site.
Source: <http://www.courierpostonline.com/story/news/local/south-jersey/2015/12/09/stone-harbor-dredging-hold-gallon-spill/77033384/>



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